WASHINGTON - Congressman Spencer Bachus today announced that the Alabama Educational Television Foundation Authority will receive \$4.6 million in federal funds under the Ready to Teach program.

The Ready to Teach program assists teachers in preparing their students to meet academic achievement standards in their state.

"This money will help establish an e-Learning for Educators Initiative to address state-wide teacher quality needs, which will in turn impact student performance. Most importantly, e-Learning courses will be developed to meet Alabama's specific educational needs," Congressman Bachus said.

The U.S. Department of Education awarded the grant to the Alabama Educational Television Foundation Authority.

The e-Learning Initiative is being implemented in eight states, including Alabama, Delaware, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and West Virginia. T eachers throughout each state are eligible to receive training, with particular emphasis placed on those from Title I schools and districts.

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